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REMARKS

The above amendments and following remarks are responsive to the points raised in the November 12, 2004 non-final Office Action. Upon entry of the above amendments, Claims 13-16 will have been amended and Claims 13-22 will be pending. No new matter has been introduced. Entry and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

Response to Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

Claims 13-16 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by US Patent 5,1557,497 to Topper et al. (Topper). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

Claims 13 and 14 have been amended to recite an image sensing device and an image sensing processing apparatus, respectively, including a switch arranged to switch, respectively, first horizontal and vertical linear correction data and second horizontal and vertical linear correction. Applicant respectfully submits that Topper does not teach or suggest the subject matter as recited in Claims 13-16, and in particular, switching first and second correction data in accordance with a position of a pixel of interest among a plurality of pixels. The amendments to Claims 15 and 16 are consistent with the amendments made to Claims 13 and 14. The amendments to Claims 13-16 are consistent with the Examiner's comments in the statement of the reasons for allowance as set forth on Page 6, Item 5, of the November 12, 2004 non-final Office Action. As such, the subject matter recited in Claims 13-16 is distinguished over the applied prior art of Topper.

According, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) is improper and should be withdrawn.

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AUTHORIZATIONS

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for filing this application, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 1232-4633US1. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.

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